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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled TIEDOWNS CONNECTED TO KERF REGIONS AND EDGE SEALS, the specification of which:

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☐ was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____ and was amended on _____.

☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. _____ filed on _____ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____.

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